

# Central Bedfordshire Council

**TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MEETING**

**26 MARCH 2019**

**Appenine Way, Leighton Buzzard**

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## **Purpose of this report**

To report on the Statutory Consultation proposing a humped crossing in Appenine Way, Leighton Buzzard.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Traffic Management Meeting is asked to:

- 1. Approve the implementation of the proposed raised zebra crossing as advertised.**

## **Overview and Scrutiny Comments/Recommendations**

1. This report is not to be presented at Overview and Scrutiny.

## **Issues**

### **Background Information**

2. This scheme was brought about to improve crossing provision from the southern side of Appenine Way to the convenience store. As well as also to providing an upgraded link for venerable users to Van Dyke Upper School on Van Dyke Road.
3. Appenine Way is a residential area and currently has a 20mph limit. The road forms a horse shoe shape, with both ends starting and finishing on A4012 Hockliffe Road. Also, may be used as a cut through from the south western side of the town to Heath and Reach.

### **Scheme Proposal**

4. The scheme proposes to improve the current provision where there is simply a tactile courtesy crossing to assist users. The current arrangement will be removed, and the humped zebra placed in what is considered by Engineers to be a more appropriate location.

### **Statutory Consultation**

5. Statutory Consultation took place in January 2019. There were no residents directly affected by the proposals. Site notices were displayed on site and all Statutory bodies informed of the proposals this includes the Emergency Services including the Police.

### **Options for consideration**

6. No comments were made in relation to the proposals from either the Town Council or Ward Councilors.
7. The Police raised no concerns or objections to the proposals.

### **Reason for urgency**

8. The scheme is proposed to improve the current crossing arrangement for all users.

### **Council Priorities**

9. The proposals meet Objective C; increase the number of children travelling to school by sustainable modes of transport and J; reduce the risk of people being killed or seriously injured, of the Local Transport Plan.

### **Corporate Implications**

10. None

## **Legal Implications**

11. None.

## **Financial and Risk Implications**

12. The scheme will be funded by the Integrated Transport Capital Works budget 2019/20. With a Target Cost needing to be agreed should the scheme be approved; any works will take place in Summer 2019. Construction works are estimated at £35000.

## **Equalities Implications**

13. Statutory Consultation took place with all parties welcomed to make comments, Notices were displayed on site and in the local press as per usual practice.

## **Conclusion and next Steps**

14. The scheme received no objections and therefore the proposal should be taken forward as this will improve the provision for users.

15. Should the scheme be approved we will finalise the design, carry out a Road Safety Audit and establish a cost for the works before on-site construction, which is expected in Summer 2019.

## **Appendices**

**Appendix A: Public Notice**

**Appendix B: Scheme Drawing**

**Appendix C: Police Response**

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# PUBLIC NOTICE



## CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL PROPOSES TO INSTALL A RAISED ZEBRA CROSSING IN APPENINE WAY, LEIGHTON BUZZARD

Notice is hereby given that Central Bedfordshire Council, in exercise of its powers under Section 23 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Section 90 A-I of the Highways Act 1980 and all other enabling powers, proposes to establish a Raised Zebra crossing in Appenine Way, Leighton Buzzard. These proposals are part of a scheme to reduce traffic speeds and improve cycling facilities.

A Raised Zebra Crossing at a nominal height of 75mm and approximately 8 metres long, including ramps, extending across the full width of the road is proposed to be sited at the following location in Leighton Buzzard:-

1. Appenine Way, at a point approximately 35 metres west of its junction with Meadway.

Further Details may be viewed online at [www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/publicstatutorynotices](http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/publicstatutorynotices).

Comments should be sent in writing to the Traffic Management team at the address below or e-mail [traffic.consultation@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:traffic.consultation@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk) by 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

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Director of Community Services

15<sup>th</sup> January 2019

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## Appendix C:



1. Proposed Raised Table, Appenine Way.
2. Proposed Waiting Restrictions, Church Road, School Lane, Studham.
3. Proposed Zebra Crossing, College Road, Cranfield.
4. Proposed Waiting Restrictions, Graham Road and Dunstable.
5. Proposed 20mph Speed Limit, Bedford Road, Old Warden.
6. Proposed 30 mph Speed Limit, Bedford Road, Old Warden.
7. Proposed 50 mph Speed Limit, Hill Lane, Old Warden.
8. Proposed traffic calming measures, West Street, Princes Road, Ickneild Street, Dunstable.

<p>This Authority has considered the proposals as outlined in your letter and offer the following comments for further consideration.</p> <p>Comments</p>	
<p>This Authority has considered the proposed waiting restrictions and schemes outlined in your email and attachment, together with the reason(s) given. The proposals are accepted by this authority therefore no objection will be offered.</p>	<p><b>X</b></p>

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